

CARL HARBERT <i>Council Member, Place 1</i>	DAVID RUTLEDGE <i>Mayor</i>	ERIC ANDRUS <i>Council Member, Place 4</i>
KIRK ROCCAFORTE <i>Council Member, Place 2</i>		TERRI GAUTHIER <i>Council Member, Place 5</i>
TAMMI FISETTE <i>Mayor Pro-Tem / Council Member, Place 3</i>		LUCY FIELDS <i>Council Member, Place 6</i>

CITY COUNCIL EMERGENCY MEETING MINUTES CITY OF BRIDGE CITY September 2, 2017

The City Council of Bridge City met in an emergency meeting on Saturday, September 2, 2017, at the City Hall of Bridge City, 260 Rachal, Bridge City, Texas, because of the devastating effects of Hurricane Harvey to the persons and property of our City. Immediate action is required by the City Council of Bridge City due to the imminent and continuing threat to public health and safety, as provided by Texas Government Code §551.045.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor David Rutledge called the City Council meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor David Rutledge
Council Member Carl Harbert
Council Member Kirk Roccaforte
Mayor Pro-Tem Tammi Fisette
Council Member Eric Andrus
Council Member Terri Gauthier
Council Member Lucy Fields

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

City Manager Jerry D. Jones
City Secretary Sherry Tisdale
City Attorney Paul M. Fukuda (by teleconference)
Finance Director Karen Morgan
Personnel/Purchasing Director Jeanie McDowell
Utility Superintendent Mike Lund
Asst. Utility Superintendent Mike Die

2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO EXTEND THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER MADE BY MAYOR DAVID RUTLEDGE ON THE 27TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2017, IN RESPONSE TO HURRICANE HARVEY

Council Member Roccaforte made a motion to extend the Emergency Declaration of Disaster made by Mayor Rutledge on August 27, 2017. Motion was seconded by Council Member Andrus.

Mayor Rutledge read the declaration (Attachment No. 1). It was stated that the original Emergency Declaration on August 27, 2017 was only good for a seven-day period. An extension of 30 days can only be approved by Council.

Council Member Roccaforte explained that during this period the Mayor is capable and in charge of meetings, making decisions and signing documents so Council doesn't have to meet each time a decision is needed. Council Member Roccaforte said he highly suggests no one have issues with this extension. He also said Mayor Rutledge is doing an excellent job.

City Attorney Paul Fukuda (by teleconference) stated it was absolutely necessary to pass this order. This extension will start with today's date and extend through 30 days from now.

With no further discussion Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Fissette, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Andrus, Gauthier, and Fields.

Noes: None. **Absent:** None.

3. ADJOURN

Council Member Andrus made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 a.m., seconded by Council Member Fields.

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Fissette, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Andrus, Gauthier, and Fields.

Noes: None. **Absent:** None.

/s/ David Rutledge

David Rutledge, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Sherry Tisdale

Sherry Tisdale, City Secretary